

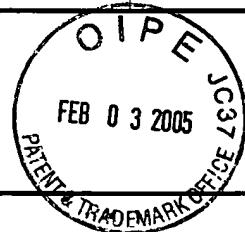
**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF  
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Large Entity)**

~~Docket No.~~  
~~13381~~

**In Re Application Of: William Delaney, et al.**

Application No.	Filing Date	Examiner	Customer No.	Group Art Unit	Confirmation No.
09/781,891	February 2, 2001	David Guzo	23389	1636	8348

## Invention: A METHOD FOR DETECTING VARIANT HBV



**COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of July 29, 2004 in the above-identified application.

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

- One month     Two months     Three months     Four months     Five months

from: October 29, 2004

until: January 29, 2005 (Sat.)

Date

Date

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

**CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	65 -	77 =	0	x \$50.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	3 -	3 =	0	x \$200.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$0.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$1,020.00
<b>TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME</b>					<b>\$1,020.00</b>

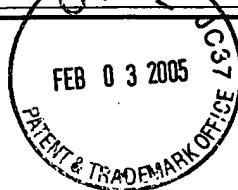
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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

- A check in the amount of \$1,020.00 for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.
- Please charge Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_.
- The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1013/SSMP
- Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
- If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 19-1013/SSMP .
- Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

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Dated: January 31, 2005

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